

The Provincial Statutes of Lower-Canada, Being the fourth session of the eleventh Provincial Parliament of Lower-Canada. Quebec: P. E. Desbarats, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1824.

4 George IV – Chapter 37

An Act to repeal a certain Act therein-mentioned, and to regulate the measure and weight of Coals. (9th March, 1824.)

Whereas it is expedient to repeal an Act passed in the second year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for further regulating the measure and weight of Coals," and to substitute other provisions instead of those in the said Act contained; Be it therefore enacted-by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec in North-America,' and to make further-provision for the Government of the said Province;" And it is hereby enacted by the authority for the same, that the said Act passed in the second year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for further regulating the measure and weight of Coals," shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the sale of Coals in this Province, shall be by the Chaldron or Minot, unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties selling and buying Coals, and that the Chaldron shall consist of thirty-six Minots, each Minot to be heaped up, and to be of the dimensions herein-under mentioned; and when such Coal shall be of the larger kind, so that if the same were measured in detail by the standard Minot herein-mentioned, a loss would accrue to the purchaser, such Coal may be measured in any larger vessel containing two or three Minots and of the dimensions also herein-under mentioned.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the dimensions of Cylindric Measures for Coals containing one, two or three Minots each, shall respectively be as follows, that is to say: the Measure of one Minot, shall be twelve inches in diameter and sixteen inches and ninety-eight hundredth parts of an inch in height; the Measure of two Minots shall be fifteen inches and twelve hundredth parts of an inch in diameter and twenty-one inches and thirty-nine hundredth parts of an inch, in height; the Measure of three Minots shall be seventeen inches and three tenth parts of an inch in diameter and twenty-four inches and fifty-one hundredth parts of an inch in height, the whole, in French measure

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that when by agreement of the seller and buyer, Coals are sold or bought by the weight, the same shall be by the Ton, consisting of twenty hundred weight avoir du pois.

V. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing in this Act contained, shall extend to do away the former practice respecting the measurement of Coals in any case where any bargain therefor shall have been made or agreed upon before the passing of this Act.

VI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that where any difference or dispute shall arise between any seller and buyer of Coal with respect to the measurement or weight thereof, the same shall be referred to, and adjusted by the Clerk of the Hay Market.

VII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall continue to be in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, and no longer.